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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **MINECHIKA, Shigekazu, et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2627**

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Examiner: **CHU, Kim Kwok**

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For: **DISK APPARATUS**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.112**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 31, 2009

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 15, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page two.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page five.